

## 2222222 **NEWSLETTER**

A message from the

#### **PRINCIPAL**

Dear parents/carers

Over recent weeks we have had much to celebrate with children attending their first rugby tournament, our school council joining the multischool council alongside other school councils, Children have visited the space dome, Year 6 made sand bunkers on the beach, and we have had visitors in with animals to support learning linked to Science. It is great to see our children loving how education can provide us with such rich opportunities.

Visiting the classes each day shows our children with a fabulous desire to learn and this term we have worked hard on our lovely lining, wonderful walking and super sitting alongside our whole body listening when others are talking. Well done to all our children for making us all so proud

#### Please follow the link or copy

and paste to give your consent if your child missed the first session:

**26th November:** 

Flu immunisation second visit

https:// eastanglia.schoolvaccination.u k/flu/2025/Essex

18th Dec: Last day of term 5th Jan: Children return

#### **RECEPTION 2026**

Applications are now open for Reception 2026- closing date 15th January 2026.

Please apply online via Essex County Council.

Mrs M Cartwright Principal



#### RAVENS RUGBY NEWS!

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November Ravens Academy joined their first Tag rugby completion with 9 local schools at Clacton Rugby club. The pupils had 6 hours experience in PE and some had been to the after school club for 5 weeks run by a local rugby coach. This team was put together of year 4,5 and 6 pupils who had never played together.

On the day we won our first game and then drew our next two! We were all so proud of what they had acheived through teamwork, resilience and determination. We made it into the semifinals and playoffs and came 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Most importantly Ravens became the positive talk of the day with teachers, coaches and Clacton Team players coming to talk to the children about how impressed they were with the team and individuals and could not believe they had had so little practice. Two players impressed are pictured with the team - who have played for Saracnes. We have now been approached by Clacton Rugby team to offer us more coaching, trip experiences, kit and boots!

Some of our children, both boys and girls, have enjoyed the experience so much that they have now joined Clacton Rugby team.

We are hoping to grow our rugby offers over the years with continued support from our local community.



# OIKOS POEM COMPETITION! The winner of the Oikos poem competition is..... Maliha—year 6

My home is a place that keeps special memories,

Ones I'll treasure and remember for centuries,

After a long day of work stress and play,

Home is like a warm blanket on a cold day.

The front door is like a smile that welcomes me in,
Inside I'm never alone with my friends, siblings and kin,
It's special to me, where I can have my space and feel safe,
A place I can practice my religion and show my faith.

My home is a special place, I cannot replace in my heart,
It begins there and ends there it is work or art.

Through the wind, I can hear the rain Splish and splash,
It's comforting and comes and goes in a flash.

My warm, special home brings me great harmony,

The walls whisper stories of love to me,

Family is like glue, it holds us together,

The memories we make here will be forever.

By Maliha

#### PE DAYS

#### See below:

| YEAR GROUP             | PE DAY   |
|------------------------|--|
| Reception - Donaldson  | Tuesday & Friday                               |
| Year 1 - Carle         | Tuesday & Wednesday                            |
| Year 2 - Bond & Browne | Tuesday & Thursday                             |
| Year 3 - Jeffers       | Wednesday & Thursday                           |
| Year 3 / 4 - Dahl      | Monday & Wednesday                             |
| Year 4 - Rosen         | Tuesday & Thursday                             |
| Year 5 - Morpurgo      | Monday & Tuesday                               |
| Year 5 - Wilson        | Monday & Thursday                              |
| Year 6 - Tan           | Thursday (swimming until 20th Nov)<br>& Friday |
| Year 6 - Pullman       | Thursday & Friday                              |

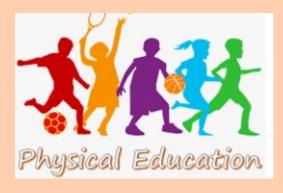
Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on PE days.

## PE Kit Navy or White polo / t-shirt

**Black shorts** 

**Trainers** 

In winter -a black or navy tracksuit



#### **KEY DATES**

#### December

#### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Peter Pan Panto in school for all children provided by 'Outside the Box Productions'.

#### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December



#### **△** Christmas Jumper Day! **△**



Children can wear their Christmas / their Ravens jumper or cardigan. Sug-



festive jumper instead of gested donation: £1



The kitchen will be cooking up a festive treat — the children will enjoy a delicious Christmas Dinner and celebrate the season!



Menu will be sent out soon!

#### **Thursday 18th December**

Christmas Fayre 3.30pm—5pm



#### **Christmas Performances:**

Tuesday 16th December 09.30—Year 1 & 2

Tuesday 16th December 2.30pm—Reception

> Wednesday 17th December 2pm—Year 1 & 2







#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Our school's attendance continues to be a strong point, with children showing up consistently and demonstrating a real commitment to their learning. We're proud to report that our overall attendance rate is performing exceptionally well and currently sits above that of most local primary schools in the area. This achievement reflects the hard work of our staff, the support of our families, and the positive culture we've built together. We will keep encouraging excellent attendance so every child has the best opportunity to succeed. Our attendance currently sits at 94.85% which is really good so thank you to all Parents/Carers and children for your support.

Please remember to dojo message me or ring the attendance line on 01255 424328 option 1 to let me know if your child is going to be absent.

#### Mrs Love





#### **ATTENDANCE**

For all school attendance queries or if your child is going to be absent from school please contact our Attendance Officer, Mrs Love on:

01255 424 328 option 1





We have a three week menu rota

W/c - 1st December—week 2

W/c - 8th December—week 3

W/c - 15th December— week 1

Change of menu on the following days:

Friday 12th December:

Christmas Dinner Day!

Please ensure the school are aware of any food allergies or dietary requirements your child has.

#### PACKED LUNCHES

Please be reminded we are a nut fee school.

#### **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Our uniform supplier is PMG school wear, please go to www.pmgschoolwear.co.uk to order uniform

### Term dates

Autumn 2025

Last day of term: 18th Dec

Spring 2026

Pupils return: 5th Jan

February Half Term 16th Feb - 20th Feb

Last day of term: 27th March

Summer 2026

Pupils return: 13th April

Bank Hol: 4th May

May Half Term 25th May - 29th May

Non Pupil Day: 26th June

Last day of term: 17th July